

THE BULLETIN



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CALENDAR

Thursday, June 14, 5:30 p.m. — Memorial services for the late *Whit Burnett* in the George Washington Room.

Monday, June 25, 5:30 p.m. — Twilight Jazz Concert. "Accent Saxophone," with Illionis Jacquet, Carmen Leggio, Art Miller and possibly Stan Getz. **POSTPONED**

Tuesday, June 26 — Regional Dinner. Pakistani Night. \$11.00 charge includes cocktails at 6:30, dinner at 7:30, tax, gratuity & door prizes. George Washington Room.

Mostly Musical Chairs...

PRESIDENT APPOINTS NEW COMMITTEE HEADS

At the halfway point in his two-year term as OPC president, *Jack Raymond* asked for resignations of all committee chairman and named *Ralph Schulz*, re-elected to the Board of Governors at the 1973 annual meeting, as special assistant on committee appointments.

Here are the 1973-74 committee designations to date: Budget, *Henry Gellerman*; Admissions, *Matthew Bassity*; Membership, *John McAllister*; House, *Larry Blochman*; Bulletin, *Joseph C. Peters*; Awards Dinner, *Donald Coe*; Dateline & Directory, *Arthur Milton*; Headliner Luncheons & Dinners, Co-chairmen *William Attwood*, *Bob Considine* & Exec. Co-chairmen *Jacques Nevard*, *David Anderson*; Professional Evenings, *Larry Stessin*; Public Relations, *George Burns*; Music, *Jack Frummer*; Jazz, *Wilma Dobie*;

Regional Dinners, *Myra Waldo*; Reunions & Anniversaries, *Ed Cunningham*; Books, Co-chairmen *Anita Diamant Berke*, *Gerold Frank*; Foreign & Out-of-town Liaison, Co-chairmen *Joseph C. Peters* & *Marguerite Cartwright*; In-town Liaison, Co-chairmen *Rosalind Massow*, *Warren Goodman*; News Conference Development, *Jack Galub*; Health & Welfare, *Lou Frankel*; Club Quarters Search, *Henry Gellerman*; Credit, *Lou Calderoni*; Committee & Recruitment Liaison, *Ralph Schulz*; Book Publishing, *Will Yolen*;

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JAZZ SAXOPHONES, PAKISTANI FOOD SAVE JUNE 25 & JUNE 26!!

The Overseas Jazz Club will open the door to New York's Newport Jazz Festival when it presents on Monday June 25 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. its first twilight jazz session in new OPC headquarters featuring Festival stars in "Accent Saxophone." The saxophonist headliners: Illinois Jacquet, Carmen Leggio, and Art Miller with an unconfirmed invite to Stan Getz.

Big-name support of these artists will be brilliant Festival bassist, George Duvivier; Festival star Jacquet's well-known trumpet-playing brother, Russell, who will also feature on vocals; Chuck Folds, veteran pianist; and famous Newport trumpeter Roy "Little Jazz" Eldridge.

Looking ahead, the OJC has been invited to celebrate its third anniversary with a Festival on the River event, Wednesday Sept. 5 — one of the weekly jazz boat rides marking New York City's Summer Festival. In celebrating its founding, the OJC will present Honorary OJC Co-Presidents Earl "Fatha" Hines and Maxine Sullivan, with the "No-Gap Generation Jazz Band."

BLOOD BANK PROGRAM TO PROVIDE NEEDS OF MEMBERS

The OPC and the Greater New York Blood Bank are on the verge of signing an agreement that will provide for the blood needs of all OPCers within 50 miles of Times Square. If the pact is signed it means any member, his spouse and his family will be covered in case of any medical emergency.

No longer will OPCers in need have to tap their friends and neighbors or pay commercial rates to replace blood that has been provided by a hospital.

What OPC members will have to do is provide 225 pints of blood during the calendar year commencing July 1, 1973. In return the 900 OPC members residing within the Metropolitan New York area will be covered.

Full details in next Bulletin.

—Lou Frankel

Make reservations early for the opening regional dinner at the Club's new headquarters — a Pakistani dinner which Myra Waldo says flatly will be "the outstanding event of the decade." The elaborate menu featuring unusual hors d'oeuvres and four different main courses will be festive in the extreme, says Waldo, and will be prepared by Pakistan's best cook, flown here for the occasion. Adding to the festivities — a number of Pakistani women in native dress.

The date is June 26. The \$11.00 admission charge covers cocktails, to be served at 6:30, dinner at 7:30, and the chance to win a round trip to Pakistan via PIA, with accommodations at Intercontinental Hotels in Karachi, Lahore and Rawalpindi. There will be other door prizes, and each person will receive an alabaster souvenir.

As all good OPCers know, the Club's regional dinners never fail to delight. Credit for the upcoming Pakistani event, as for other recent epicurean sensations, to Myra Waldo and Rosalind Massow, co-chairman.

INSURANCE CORNER AT OPC EVERY FRIDAY AT NOON

Starting June 15, every Friday will be Q & A Time at the OPC. On that day and every Friday for the next month Lou Frankel, OPC Insurance Chairman, and Bob Simpson, the Man from Mutual of Omaha, will be on hand during lunchtime at the OPC's mini-pub on the 2nd mezzanine at 3 West 51 Street.

Any OPCers with questions, complaints or compliments about Mutual of Omaha group policies can put their problems on the table and get some solutions, some suggestions and certainly some satisfaction. All questions that cannot be answered will be followed up until some resolution is reached.

The date again: every Friday at noon, starting June 15, for four Fridays.

—Lou Frankel

LETTER FROM HONG KONG

By AL KAFF

Edward K. Wu of the Baltimore Sun has been elected president of the Foreign Correspondents Club of Hong Kong for the year starting May 21. He succeeded Henry S. Hayward, Christian Science Monitor, who did not run for a second term.

Other new officers: David W. Jayne, ABC News, first vice president, and David J. Bell, Hong Kong Tourist Association, second vice president.

Correspondent member governors: Keith Kay, CBS News; Albert E. Kaff, United Press International; Gerhard F. Simmel, freelance; Haruo Tobari, Yomiuri Shimbun (Japan); Roland Dallas, Reuters; Edward P. Tseng, Central News Agency (Taiwan), and B. K. Tiwari, Indian Express.

Associate member governors: James Robinson, Chase Manhattan Bank; Brigid Snow, Government Information Services (Hong Kong); Timothy Birch, Information Secretariat (Hong Kong), and Tim Rossi, Cathay Pacific Airways.

The Hong Kong Press Club, with nearly 800 members, occupies two floors of a downtown office building with a spectacular view of Hong Kong Harbor and the Peak.

FIRST 51 STREET MUSIC NIGHT: LYNN OWEN IN OPERA PREVIEW

By HERBERT KUPFERBERG

The Club inaugurated its move to 3 West 51 St. on May 23 with one of the most notable concerts in its history. The soloist was soprano Lynn Owen. Her program included excerpts from *Mary Dyer*, an opera by her husband, composer Richard Owen, which will receive its world premiere next fall in Boston.

For many in the audience, the highlight was two arias from that opera, about a heroic woman of Puritan days. Particularly impressive was the second aria, a soaring expression of faith in her beliefs by a woman facing execution for them.

Miss Owen's accompanist was the fine pianist Donald Hassard. For an encore they performed an aria from Puccini's *Manon Lescaut*.

OPC President Jack Raymond, welcoming the audience, noted that the selection of a concert as the opening event in the new quarters was an affirmation of the club's universality of interests. Jack Frummer, chairman of the Music Committee, presided.

CELEBRATING OPC MEMBER MARGARET PARTON

upon the publication by Viking of her *Journey Through a Lighted Room*

Distinguished is the word for Margaret Parton's career-to-date as newspaperwoman, magazine staffer and book author.

No one word describes the larger whole, the life into which her professional years are set. Words come to mind: deeply felt, gallant, non-hypocritical, fulfilled, tragically frustrated. But it takes Margaret Parton's gifts as writer and her quality as honest, searching human being to make you feel how it was: the happy childhood, the difficult growing up, the years as wife and mother and then as childless widow. Here, in her beautifully balanced memoir, she does precisely that.

Journey Through A Lighted Room is premature as memoir. Margaret Parton leaves next week for five weeks in France and England, researching a new book.

But it is none too soon to share the excitement of her years with the NY Herald Tribune: reporter on the city desk, later stints as daily book reviewer; in San Francisco covering the founding of the United Nations; in Tokyo covering the post-war "democratization" of Japan; in India and the Punjab covering Indian independence,



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the creation of Pakistan and the horrors of the ensuing riots and killings among Moslems, Hindus and Sikhs.

And to see through the keen, though surprisingly kindly eye of Margaret Parton the cast of characters familiar to readers and writers of three decades of news.

—Ruth Biemiller

REGIONAL UNITS ORGANIZED

The coordinating Liaison Committee, created for the purpose of strengthening the links with our overseas and non-resident members and organized by Vice President Joe Peters, to date has succeeded in reviving or creating the following OPC Regions:

Washington, D.C., including Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, and West Virginia, with a total of about 150 members. Regional Chairman: John W. Heffernan, Washington, D.C.

Far East, including Japan, Australia, India, and southeast Asian Countries, with membership of about 40. Chairman: Albert E. Kaff, Hong Kong.

Midwest USA, including 10 states with a total membership of about 75. Acting Chairman: J.H. Smith, Jr., Chicago, Ill.

East-Central USA, including Pennsylvania, and parts of New Jersey and New York, total about 100. Acting Chairman: Ted Kavanaugh, Philadelphia.

Other OPC regions in the U.S. and the rest of the world are planned. Suggestions are most welcome.

FINAL JAZZ FLING FUN THING

Jay Brower's "Broadway Brass" rang down a final curtain on the last of memorable Overseas Jazz Club sessions held in Time-Life headquarters, Monday, May 7.

An audience of some 150 members and guests rallied round to applaud the "jazz fugitives" from the pits of some of Broadway's greatest smash hits in a program that vividly recreated the sentimental swing era and the best in big band jazz. Vocalist Denise Lor sparkled on the ballads. Sol Zatt, who confesses to being "crackers" about pit musicians, did a lively intro to the group.

Following the "Broadway Brass" session, members and guests lingered on until closing time to hear an inspired impromptu jam session made up of guest musicians in the audience. Two sons of famous jazz men, Maurice Waller and Wyer Owens Handy, alternated at the piano; W.C. Handy's grandson, Homer D. Lewis Jr., gave out with the vocals and Gene Borst was on drums.

LETTERS

The current issue of the OPC Bulletin, listing officers & board members 1973-74, names past presidents in the final paragraph, omits the name of Barrett McGurn. Is an addendum in order?
Joe Newman

Right. The Bulletin used an unofficial, working roster given Governors to help them communicate with colleagues on the Board. The names of past presidents carried on official OPC stationery: Wythe Williams, Eugene Lyons, Burnet Hershey, Lowell Thomas, Lucian Kirtland, W.W. Chaplin, Bob Considine, Frank Kelley, Louis P. Lochner, John Daly, William P. Gray, J. Clifford Stark, Wayne Richardson, Cecil Brown, Thomas P. Whitney, John Wilhelm, John Luter, Richard J.H. Johnston, Will Yolen, Barrett McGurn, Merrill Mueller, Victor Riesel, Hal Lehman, Will Oursler.

I think the letter dated May 11 Lou Calderoni sent me, and presumably many other members, must have the motivation of trying to destroy our Club. To say that I am "seriously delinquent in dues" is incorrect and insulting. It is very true that I have not paid my dues for the second half of 1973 which were due on April 1. I did not pay the \$100 because I, like every other member, did not know at the time I was billed (March 5) what was going to happen to the Club, or even if there would still be a Club. And until I see what kind of facilities, etc., that we will have with the WNRC Club, I still don't know if we have a Club. In addition, it's my understanding that the dues were reduced. Finally, it says on the back of dues bill that "a member whose dues are two months in arrears shall be notified by registered mail". Two months from April 1 is June 1.

While these details show that I am right and Calderoni is wrong, the main point is that the tone of his letter demands an apology to many members.

James Beizer

Editor's Note: Following, the May 11 letter referred to above:

Dear Member:

The enclosed letter is sent to you for your information only. A guest card is not included because, according to our records, you are seriously delinquent in dues. If this is not accurate, please let us know immediately. If you take any measure toward correcting the situation we will be

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WEST EUROPEAN LEADERS MEET PRESS AT CLUB

By BLYTHE FOOTE FINKE

When Jack Raymond, OPC president, reassured a high-level West European parliamentary group June 1 that "the American people, despite war weariness and preoccupation with domestic problems, realize the necessity of detente" with Europe, the visitors visibly relaxed.

The occasion was an informal get-together of members of the Assembly of Western European Union with the news media in the Club's new headquarters. It was hosted by Raymond, Victor Riesel, vice president, and John Luter, past OPC president. Rapport was immediately established with the help of Raymond-Riesel-Luter banter and a bevy of interpreters to bridge the language gap for French, German and Belgian party leaders.

The delegation was headed by Michael Stewart, British labor leader, and included many conservatives. A report of the Assembly - Evolution of Relations Between Europe and the United States - was used as the basis for a week of talks with high government officials in Washington before the group's brief New York visit and served to focus the free-for-all discussion at the Club.

High on the group's list of concerns: monetary reform and trade questions; the necessity of keeping public opinion on both sides of the Atlantic informed of each other's problems; the importance of a continued U.S. military presence in West Europe.

To reach members in the bar/lounge, call 581-8713, 12 noon to 10 p.m.

A midwest chapter of the Overseas Press Club of America has been organized in Chicago. J.H. Smith, Jr. of the Chicago office of Harshe-Rotman & Druck, international public relations firm, has been elected regional chairman.

In order to provide unique service in the midwest, the chapter will focus its program on multinational communication and journalism and will hear speakers who can further understanding, skill, and freedom of information in this field.

All of the charter members of the midwest chapter were first admitted to OPC membership during professional residence in New York City or overseas. Plans call for eventual extension of out-of-town membership invitations to others based in the midwest.

To Robert Alden for distinguished U.N. reporting.

Covering the United Nations is a demanding and thoroughly complex assignment.

Each year the Deadline Club, New York Professional Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, awards \$500 and the bronze "deadliner" statuette created by Rube Goldberg for distinguished U.N. correspondence.

The award is sponsored by International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation.

ITT again is honored to announce this year's winner.

Robert Alden, The New York Times, for incisive analysis of the declining relationship between the U.S. and the U.N.

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WhoWhatWhere

HITHER & THITHER: **Eliot Sharp** back from Amsterdam, where he opened the 4th Annual Trans-World Investment Seminar sponsored by the Investment Dealers' Digest, of which he is publisher. About 200 business & financial leaders from 25 countries attended. Hot tip from Sharp: "It appears that the Czechs may be about to begin investing outside their country & are investigating potentialities."... **Don Kearney** taking 3-week furlough from WMCA advertising program to spin through Luxembourg, Brussels, Dublin, London & Paris for articles in Television/Radio Age. "I will be at the Scribe in Paris," he writes, "and hope to see some of those old ghosts in the bar there."... **Jean Colbert** to France for a tour of the Relais in Burgundy and the Loire Valley. Object: taping material for WTIC Hartford's daily Jean Colbert Show. She also did a special feature on Air France's inaugural flight from Paris to Vienna... **DeWitt S. Davidson** back from an assignment in the Italian Alps for The Travel Agent magazine and off again to Denmark, Norway and Scotland, on assignment for the same magazine.

ARS LONGA: Veteran artist **Elias Newman** honored on his 70th birthday with "a surprise shindig" given by Artists Equity Association of N.Y., of which he is president. Accompanied by wife Judy (m.e., Wall Street Transcript) he then sailed on the France for a sketching and gallery-hopping holiday in England and Scotland... **Henry Ries** honored with major show of his photographs - Berlin 25 Years Ago - at Berlin's Landesbildstelle.

VITA BREVIS: Jazz Chairman **Wilma Dobie** joined a New York contingent journeying to Philadelphia to pay tribute to Elmer Snowden, "world's greatest banjo artist," who died suddenly of a heart ailment on May 14 at the age of 82. Snowden performed a memorable Overseas Jazz Club Twilight Concert last November, which was televised by UPI-TV. 18 prints of that coverage were distributed among African nations by USIA.

SHIFTFEST: Marking the move of **Porter McKee** from United Nations Association of the USA to his new post as v.p./philanthropic interests of the John D. Rockefeller 3rd Fund.

IN PRINT: **Jim Atkins'** manual listing more than 700 cassette programs on advertising & direct market-

ing. The interviews are of interest only to marketers & ad writers. For a free copy write Atkins c/o Hoke Communications, 224 7th St., Garden City, N.Y. 11530.... **Jack Harrison Pollack's** profile of Parke Bernet auctioneer John Marion ("Would You Buy a Used Van Gogh from This Man?") featured in current Signature magazine. Pollack also addressed the Free Press vs. Fair Trial session of the First National Symposium on Crime & the Media, sponsored by John Jay College of Criminal Justice where Pollack was recently appointed an associate professor of speech.

PUBLISHING EVENTS: You'll be hearing more about **Ben Lucien Burman's** *Look Down That Winding River*, from Taplinger... **Agatha Young's** *Doctor Moore's Legacy*, from Simon & Schuster... and **Professor Egghead's** *Best Riddles*, by Rose Wyler with delightful illustrations by **Jerry Robinson**, also from S & S.

NEW LOOK: **Cindy Reagan** appointed manager/media relations in TWA's p.r. department. One of her first TWA assignments: Hong Kong, to set up **Mike Wallace** special there. For TWA, she left Bill Doll & Co., where she has been v.p.... **John G. Morris**, picture editor of the N.Y. Times since 1967, named head of new Times facility - NYT Pictures - operating under the paper's News Service, of which **Rob Roy Buckingham** is editor and general manager. Says Bucky, "The market for quality photo journalism is growing in the U.S. and abroad, despite the death of the mass picture magazines. In addition to pictures generated by The Times, N.Y.T. Pictures will seek out and distribute the work of talented non-Times photographers."

Committee Heads (cont'd from p. 1)

Exhibitions, Co-chairmen **Barrett Gallagher**, **Charles Rotkin**.

Open chairs: Awards, Cinema, Theatre, Freedom of the Press.

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delighted to reinstate you. We want you to maintain your membership, but we simply cannot afford to pay our bills if our own charges are not covered. I am sure you understand and will clear up this matter.

Sincerely,
Louis J. Calderoni

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